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Attached are the following papers:

- 1. Amendment and Response to Office Action;
- 2. Petition for a 1 Month Extension of Time (in duplicate).

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Examiner Habte:

Applicants respectfully request consideration of this amendment and response to the Office Action, which Office Action was mailed on April 3, 2003. A response to this Office Action was due on July 3, 2003, and Applicants hereby respectfully request a one (1) month extension of time from July 3, 2003, up to and including August 3, 2003. Because August 3, 2003 falls on a Sunday, Applicants respectfully submit that filing of this response on Monday, August 4, 2003, the first business day after August 3, 2003, is timely.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.